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Illinois 84 from Rock River to U.S. 6 study launched

Project to be introduced at Aug. 27 virtual public meeting

COLONA —The Illinois Department of Transportation will host an online public meeting Aug. 27, from 2 to 3 p.m. to introduce a study and receive feedback on the proposed reconstruction of Illinois 84 from Rock River to just north of U.S. 6. Conducting a virtual public meeting instead of a traditional in-person meeting will allow participants to gain information and provide feedback while protecting their health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Registration is required. To access the virtual public meeting, go to <u>idot.illinois.gov/projects/il-84-colona</u> and click on the "Get Involved" tab to register.

In addition to a presentation introducing the study, the meeting will include exhibits for review and a survey. Personnel from IDOT will be available for a question-and-answer session after the presentation.

The Illinois 84 project involves a study to reconstruct Illinois 84 through Colona. The existing road is approaching the end of its service life and no longer meets the transportation needs of the local community and region.

This project proposes to reconstruction Illinois 84, adding a bidirectional left-turn lane from 5th Avenue to 7th Street and constructing a sidewalk and multi-use path for bicyclists and pedestrians, as well as improving drainage with a new storm sewer system. A traffic signal will be added at Cleveland Road, with the left-turn lane lengthened. Funding is identified in IDOT's multi-year program.

Following the meeting, exhibits and the recorded presentation will be available on the project website at <u>idot.illinois.gov/projects/il-84-colona</u>. Comments received through Sept. 10, will become part of the official public meeting record.